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For: NUCLEOTIDE SEQUENCES ENCODING THE DAPC GENE AND PROCESS

FOR THE PRODUCTION OF L-LYSINE

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT/RESPONSE TRANSMITTAL

Transmitted herewith is an amendment/response for this application.

FEES

The fee for claims and extension of time (37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17) has been calculated as shown below:

| | CLAIMS | | | | | | | | | |
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| TOTAL | 7 | | 28 | = | 0 | \$ | 18.00 | = | \$ | 0.00 |
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| INDEP. | 5 | | 8 | = | 0 | \$ | 84.00 | = | \$ | 0.00 |
| FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. + | | | | | | | | | | |
| CLAIM | | · | | | | \$ | 280.00 | = | \$ | 0.00 |
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| TOTAL ADDITIONAL CLAIM FEE | | | | | | | | \$ | 0.00 | |
| GRAND TOTAL | | | | | | | | \$ | 0.00 | |
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FEE PAYMENT

Authorization is hereby made to charge the amount of \$0.00 to Deposit Account No. 033975. Charge any additional fees required by this paper or credit any overpayment in the manner authorized above. A duplicate of this paper is attached.

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

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Sir:

This is in response to the final official action dated April 22, 2003, wherein the claims were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112 first paragraph and 35 U.S.C. §103(a). The applicants respectfully traverse in view of the following amendment and remarks.